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(e) "Court" means the District Court and any other court in this State which exercises criminal jurisdiction over the enforcement of laws respecting duties of support, and either the circuit court for any county in this State, the Circuit Court or the Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City and juvenile courts [I] having jurisdiction over the civil enforcement of laws respecting duties of support; and when the context requires, means the court of any other state as defined in a substantially similar reciprocal law.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved April 10, 1973.

CHAPTER 16

(Senate Bill 670)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 2-6 and 27-7 (b) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitles, respectively, "Election Boards and Employees," and "Absentee Voting," to correct certain errors in the laws relating to elections.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 2-6 and 27-7 (b) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitles, respectively, "Election Boards and Employees," and "Absentee Voting," are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-6.

Subject to the provisions of Article 64A, Annotated Code of Maryland, or, in the case of a board covered by a local merit system as provided in Article 64A, I§ 9F (F)I §9G (F), subject to the rules and regulations of the personnel officials of the county in which the board is located, each board has the power to appoint and remove clerks, registrars, voting machine custodians, stenographers, and other employees who shall be registered voters of the State of Maryland. During the time of acting in any capacity under this section, no employee shall hold any public or party office or be a candidate for any public or party office; use his official authority or influence for the purpose of interfering with or affecting the result of an election; or take an active part in political management or in political campaigns.

Provided that nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to election judges, whatever their title may be, or to attorneys to the election boards.

In Baltimore City the board shall have no more employees than were authorized by former § 2-6(a) of this article as was provided in that section immediately prior to June 1, 1971, or as provided hereafter by the secretary of personnel.